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SUMMARY FOR 09-06-10 THROUGH 10-10-10

This report takes us through week 41 of this year. We continue to target quality of life issues. Our model includes enforcement of the law and outreach to the business, tourist, and homeless community. We also strive to partner with any organization or individual that shares our goal. To this end we continue to host and attend meetings with numerous groups from law enforcement to outreach groups. We have made steady progress in our working relationships with numerous entities and have thus been able to maximize our effect in the BID areas. We are committed to continue evolving in any direction that offers a chance for us to become more efficient.

EVENTS OF INTEREST:

On 09-11-10, our Officers spoke to Jake who had been sleeping in a tent pitched on the sidewalk at 1400 El Centro. We told him that he could not camp in the middle of the sidewalk. He was agreeable and took down his tent. We obviously would prefer that little tent cities do not spring up in the BID areas.

On 09-16-10, Andrews International showed up in force at the PAL Benefit Dinner. We are one of the sponsors. Our owner, Randy Andrews, V/P Bill Farrar, Directors Mike Harkins, Steve Seyler, and others were in attendance.

On 09-16-10, we contacted aggressive homeless panhandler Dominique at the 7-11 located at 1810 Cahuenga. She was leaning on the hood of a car refusing to move until the driver gave her money. We advised her of the trespassing laws and she left the area. This is what we consider a quality of life issue.

On 09-21-10 our very own Mike and Mike, and Joe Salazar attended a meeting at Kerry Morrison's office. The Youth Legal Council, My Friends Place, and Kerry were also present. Future training for BID Officers and area youth was discussed.

On 09-23-10, our officers assisted at a traffic accident scene at Las Palmas and Selma. A car had struck a man in a wheelchair. We directed traffic until LAPD could respond and handle the scene.

On 10-02-10, we hosted an event at our office. It was part of our ongoing effort to improve our interactions with the homeless youth in our areas. We had Dirk Sampselle of the Public Counsel's Office, Heather Carmichael and two of her counselors from My Friend's Place, and about eighteen college law students in attendance. I was also present along with our famed outreach specialists Mike and Mike. I gave a short presentation describing our program. The group was not hostile, but I did feel an air of skepticism from the students.

The plan was to take the group on a tour of the BID areas highlighting available homeless outreach services as well as locations where homeless people spend their time. The group was far too large for the 12 passenger van that they brought. We then volunteered to use one of our vehicles to assist.

We sent the group out onto the streets with one Mike in each vehicle acting as tour guides. The group returned to our office about an hour and a half later for a de-briefing. Each student voiced their opinion of the event. The gist of their statements was that they were impressed with the coordination that was occurring between the BID Security and

the various homeless outreach organizations. This is an on-going effort with many future training sessions to come.

On 10-02-10, I attended the PATH Fund Raising Gala in Beverly Hills. I was the guest of Courtney Kanagi. Kerry Morrison was also in attendance.

On 10-09-10, our Officers were doing a business check at the Office Depot located at 1250 Vine. The Manager (Veronica) said that they had an attempted burglary the previous night. LAPD was notified and took a crime report.

MEETINGS ATTENDED:

- 1) 09-07-10 LAPD Crime Control Meeting
- 2) 09-08-10 Street Issues Meeting-Mitch O'Farrell
- 3) 09-09-10 BID Joint Security Committee
- 4) 09-14-10 LAPD Crime Control Meeting
- 5) 09-16-10 H+H Retail Meeting
- 6) 09-16-10 PAL Benefit Dinner
- 7) 09-20-10 W Hotel Repeater Meeting
- 8) 09-21-10 Public Counsel Sensitivity Training Meeting
- 9) 09-21-10 LAPD Crime Control Meeting
- 10) 09-21-10 Homeless Veterans Meeting
- 11) 09-30-10 Travelers Aid Meeting

- 12) 10-02-10 Public Council BID Tour and Meeting
- 13) 10-05-10 LAPD Crime Control Meeting
- 14) 10-05-10 Hollywood Homeless Outreach Team Meeting
- 15) 10-07-10 LAPD Taser Policy Meeting
- 16) 10-07-10 LAPD Halloween Planning Meeting

OUTREACH:

On 09-09-10, our Officers found long time homeless woman Nancy passed out on the handicap ramp at the Post Office located at 1623 Wilcox. Her wheelchair was beside her so the entire ramp was blocked. Two of her friends were also with her and they had their daily supply of beer ready for consumption. We roused the group and sent them on their way.

On 09-13-10, our Officers again saw Nancy. This time she was at 1810 Cahuenga (7-11). She was lying on the ground near her overturned wheelchair. She had been hit by a vehicle backing out of a parking space. We called the LAPD and Paramedics. Nancy was taken to the hospital with undetermined injuries.

On 09-17-10, we received a radio call of a woman down in the parking lot located at 1633 Wilcox. It turned out to be Nancy again. We helped her back into her wheelchair once again.

This is only a partial list of our contacts with Nancy during this period. We have spent many hours attempting to get Nancy to accept help from the outreach community. She has done so at times, but has always fallen back into drug and alcohol usage. There are many other people that we interact with in a similar fashion. This is a good illustration of the immense amount of time and resources that are used in dealing with this relatively small group of people.

On 09-09-10, our Officers found Dewey down on the ground at 6200 Leland. It turned out that he did not have any medical emergency. They offered him referral information. Dewey said that he had been homeless by choice since 1994. That was the year he was released from prison where he served eight years for drug sales. We offered him outreach referrals, but he did not need our advice as he had a vast knowledge of the charitable organizations in the area.

On 09-10-10, our Officers saw Nathan sitting on the sidewalk in front of the Kress (6608 Hollywood Blvd.). He was drinking a beer and was placed under arrest. Later at our office, we learned that Nathan was

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a reported missing person. He was released to LAPD so they could return him to his residence.

On 09-12-10, our Officers met Sebastian who was begging for money in front of the Jimmy Kimmel Theater at 6840 Hollywood Blvd. He said he was homeless and just arrived in Hollywood on 09-11-10. We gave him a PATH card and told him of services available to the homeless in the area.

On 09-14-10, we received a radio call of a man down with his pants around his ankles at the World Book and News located at 6356 Hollywood Blvd. Upon arrival we found that the man was intoxicated and possibly heavily medicated. He had heart monitoring tabs on his chest. He was incoherent and we could not communicate with him. We then called Paramedics. RA27 responded and took the man to the hospital.

On 09-16-10, our Officers made contact with a man named Dwayne at Cahuenga and Selma. He was blocking the sidewalk. Dwayne said that he was from Florida and had been in Hollywood for five days. He ran out money and found himself living on the streets. We contacted Outreach Counselor Keegan regarding a placement for Dwayne. We then drove Dwayne to the Church of the Blessed Sacrament so Keegan could meet with him.

On 09-18-10, we found young Danny drinking from a bottle of tequila at El Centro and Vista Del Mar. He was under age and intoxicated. We were able to contact his mother who was unable to come to the location. We then drove Danny to 5616 Lexington and turned him over to mom.

On 09-24-10, a former arrestee named Terrell approached our Officers at 6506 Hollywood Blvd. We had arrested him for possession of cocaine two years ago. He said he was extremely grateful to our Officers. He said that he had been clean and sober since the arrest, had a job, and was enjoying life.

On 09-30-10, we received a call from Kerry Morrison regarding a homeless veteran named Thomas. We have had many contacts with him, but were never able to get him to agree on entering a shelter. Kerry said that she communicated with him today and he was ready to make the commitment.

Mike and Mike responded and met with Thomas who is wheelchair bound. He has a hard time communicating. He did agree to enter a shelter. Our Officers called PATH who said they would send a

counselor to meet with him later in the afternoon. They also contacted the Veteran's Administration.

On 09-30-10, our officers saw an altercation between homeless youth Willie and a Mr. Lee who works at the Holly Vine Liquor store. Mr. Lee said that Willie steals from the store on a daily basis. On this occasion Mr. Lee confronted him and told him to leave. He said that Willie then struck him twice in the head. He also claimed that Willie had a knife and that he threatened him with it.

Mr. Lee did not want to press charges, but did ask us to warn Willie to refrain from returning to the business. We told Willie that he could be arrested for trespass if he should return. Willie said that he was the one that was attacked. He did have a saw blade in his purse. He willingly gave us the blade which we took for the protection of everyone involved. Our Officers are aware that Willie is a client of My Friend's Place. They went there and spoke to Counselor Frank Babbitt. They told him that Willie could have been arrested and suggested that he may want to counsel him about the legal ramifications of returning to the business.

Though somewhat time consuming, we feel that our efforts to defuse this situation could help to prevent further violence.

On 10-05-10, at 6:30 P.M., James came into our office. James is well known to BID Security as we have arrested him and had countless negative contacts with him over the years. He went by the street name of 'Warrior'. He is confined to a wheelchair, but did not submit to arrest willingly.

James was arrested for felony drug possession, drug paraphernalia, Parole and Probation violations, loitering, blocking the sidewalk, trespass, drinking in public, possession of a

stolen credit card, and urinating in public. He was also counseled many times for aggressive solicitation, fighting and loitering.

James spoke to Assistant BID Security Director Joe Salazar. He said that he had hated BID Security in the past as they were disrupting his chosen life style. He said that before

becoming homeless, he had been an electrician living a moderate lifestyle. All this changed when he had a motorcycle accident in 1985 that left him disabled.

James told Joe that he is no longer homeless and is self sufficient and living on Santa Monica Blvd. He is currently a volunteer at the

Greater West_Hollywood Food Coalition. He believes that a combination of events led to him turning his life around. He credits a Mr. Landreth from the Food Line, religion, and the 'harassment' he received from BID Security. Obviously, in retrospect he understood our role and found appreciation for it. We were touched that he would take the time to come back and share his story with us.

On 10-07-10, our Homeless Outreach Specialist Officers Mike and Mike were eating lunch at a local Subway restaurant. They then saw Kenny walk by. They were not sure what to expect when Kenny came inside to talk to them.

BID Security has had a long and painful history with Kenny. Many of those contacts occurred in the SBID. In our contacts he would be either lethargic and non-responsive, or very combative. He would walk down Sunset Blvd. screaming at people and swinging a stick at them. He would expose himself to passing traffic. On two occasions we had to call on LAPD for help in handling him and they were forced to use a Taser on him both times.

Our Officers and LAPD Officers arrested Kenny for a variety of charges including trespass, battery, urinating in public, drinking in public and robbery. We believed that Kenny was mentally unstable and addicted to drugs and alcohol.

We made many efforts to reach out to Kenny. He always refused all offers of help. About eight months ago, Mike and Mike arranged a meeting between Kenny and the Los Angeles Department of Mental Health. This intervention turned out to be a major success.

Kenny thanked our Officers. He said that as a result of the intervention, he received a placement with the LADMH and was given the proper psychological medications. He now has a job and his own apartment. He was coherent, talkative and even joyful as he spoke. This is a great development for both Kenny and the entire community. We feel that this is a perfect example of our problem solving approach.

On 10-07-10, our Officers met a homeless woman named Theresa at 1240 Vine. They noticed that she did not have any shoes. They directed her to the Get Love food line and told her they often have shoes available. On this occasion they had no shoes, but did give her some socks.

Our Officers then went to the Church of the Blessed Sacrament and got a pair of shoes in Theresa's size. They were not able to find her, but kept the shoes in their vehicle. On 10-09-10, they found Theresa. She only had a vague memory of her prior contact with us. When they gave her the shoes, she started crying. She was very surprised and grateful that they took time out to help her. This positive interaction could pay dividends in the future.

On 10-08-10, our Officers spoke to Helmet at the Get Love food line. He is an elderly man who became homeless after being evicted from his home. He then basically lived on a bus bench. He was befriended by Kerry Morrison who then set the outreach community in motion. He is currently staying at the Gilbert Hotel as a guest of Get Love. He was very excited as he is going to be moving to a new residence soon.

On 10-10-10, our Officers found Mike lying on the sidewalk and blocking pedestrians at 6376 Yucca. They realized that he was suffering from extreme abdominal pain. They then called Paramedics who responded and took him to the hospital.

ENFORCEMENT:

In the Hollywood BID we have made a total of 722 arrests. Three hundred and ninety four were for drinking in public, 54 for urinating in public, 50 for misdemeanor drugs, 39 for trespass,37 for illegal vending, 15 for battery, 33 for blocking the sidewalk, 17 for theft, 6 for vandalism, 28 for miscellaneous misdemeanors, and 49 for felonies. We also made 535 homeless referrals, assisted 777 agencies, provided extra patrol to 2789 locations, assisted 3477 citizens, handled 2164 radio calls for service and made 2672 business contacts.

In the Sunset BID, we have made a total of 231 arrests. One hundred and fifty one were for drinking in public, 19 for urinating in public, 15 for drugs, 13 for trespass, 2 for illegal vending, 2 battery, 8 for blocking the sidewalk, 1 for theft, 3 for vandalism, 7 for miscellaneous misdemeanors, and 10 for felonies. We also made 220 homeless referrals, assisted 306 agencies, provided extra patrol to 1005 locations, assisted 2448 citizens, handled 901 radio calls for service, and made 790 business contacts.

The combined totals for both BIDS are 953 arrests. Five hundred and forty five for drinking in public, 73 for urinating in public, 65 for misdemeanor drugs, 52 for trespass, 39 for illegal vending, 17 for battery, 41 for blocking the sidewalk, 18 for theft, 9 for vandalism, 35 for miscellaneous misdemeanors and 59 for felonies. We also made a combined total of 755 homeless referrals, assisted 1083 agencies,

provided extra patrol to 3794 locations, assisted 5925 citizens, handled 3065 radio calls for service, and made 3462 business contacts.

NOTED ARRESTS:

On 09-08-10, our officers saw Michael sitting on the sidewalk with a group in front of the American Outfitters located at 6801 Hollywood Blvd. We advised the group about the

laws regarding blocking the sidewalk. The group left, except for Michael. He was very irate and started screaming obscenities at our Officers.

Michael walked to the corner of Hollywood and Highland. He sat on the sidewalk near a metal trashcan. He then yelled "Is this illegal?" He then kicked the can over. Trash fell onto the sidewalk and into the street. The metal can struck a passing bus.

Michael then ran as our Officers pursued him. They caught him at 1645 Wilcox. He struggled, but was placed under arrest for Depositing Refuse on the Street. After being placed in our vehicle he tried to head butt one of our Officers. The Officer blocked the blow with his hand and the suspect received a slight cut to his lip.

On 09-09-10, we arrested Mark for trespass at 6776 Hollywood Blvd. We then learned that he had an outstanding \$30,000.00 warrant.

On 09-10-10, we received a radio call of a naked confused woman running around the parking lot at 1817 N. Cahuenga. Upon arrival our Officers were able to convince Alexis to put her dress on. When she did, a baggie containing what appeared to be methamphetamine fell from her clothing. She was arrested for the felony.

On 09-15-10, our Officers saw an employee from the CVS Pharmacy located at 1747 Cahuenga, struggling with suspect Daniel. We learned that Daniel was stealing items from the store. We then arrested him for theft. After turning him over to LAPD, we learned that he had a prior conviction for this offense which elevated the crime to a felony (666PC).

On 09-19-10, our Officers arrested Randy for drinking in public at 1724 Highland. After turning him over to LAPD, we learned that he was a wanted bank robber from Oregon. He had also failed to register as a sex offender. He was booked for a felony and will be extradited to Oregon.



On 09-21-10, we arrested James at 7024 Hollywood Blvd. (Chamber of Commerce) for drinking in public. He is currently employed as a tour guide salesman on Hollywood Blvd.

On 10-01-10, we received a radio call of a violent man at the Church of the Blessed Sacrament. The suspect (Keith) attacked the Security Guard who then pepper sprayed him. Sheppard fled on foot and our officers confronted him at Schrader and Sunset. He then attacked our Officers and was pepper sprayed again. He was taken into custody. LAPD arrived and determined that Keith was a danger to himself and others. They placed 5150 hold on him and then took to the hospital.

On 10-02-10, we received a very similar call at the Church. The guard was again attacked by a suspect and deployed his pepper spray. We stood by to provide security and told the guard to call LAPD. He did so and they responded and handled the arrest.

On 10-03-10, we received a radio call of a man exposing himself to passing tourists. There were many children present. Our officers arrived and observed the man exposing his erect penis. He was placed under arrest and turned over to the LAPD.

DEPLOYMENT:

We are currently patrolling from 6:00 A.M. until 8:00 P.M. on Monday through Saturday. On Sunday we patrol between 10:00 A/M. and 6:00 P.M.

TRAINING UPDATE:

During this period, our Officers received training in legal update, Taser usage, Harassment (Sexual and otherwise), Access Control, Observation and Documentation, Active Shooter, Bomb Threats, and Arrest and Search and Seizure.